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Column One
By David Courtney

THE New Delhi government has asked for 50,000 tons of grain, advance payment on the huge grain deal offered by China; and is considering a Russian offer of help. The British Government, for its part, has released shipping to India to carry the grain from wherever it can be got. At New Delhi there has been a two-day debate on the food problem. It has told of threatening famine over areas of huge population; but catastrophe can be avoided, or largely mitigated, if grain is brought in quickly from overseas. There has been some criticism of the Indian government's supply and distribution system but, basically, the appalling emptiness of the country's grain bins is an "act of God," of which there would seem to be quite enough in castigation of the human race, without the auxiliary efforts of man to scourge his fellow-man with armaments and war.

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THE modern sovereignty of India is young, but the country's problems are old — a vast population increasing year by year at a rate far outstripping means of subsistence; a capricious combination of natural circumstances, the floods, droughts and famines of which, for all their horror, yet fail to have any notable Malthusian effect upon the growth of the population; and partly, a consequence of the inflammatory effects of terrible privation, communal jealousies and hatreds that lay upon the administration of the country a perpetual burden of homeless and hungry refugees.

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THOSE men of the United States Congress who, against the advice of the President and the indignation of American public opinion, are withholding American grain from the Indians because the government at New Delhi is fearful of the effects of war and readier than they to make concessions for the sake of peace, should know that war is one thing for a wealthy, highly-organized, strongly fortified and well-fed democracy and another for an impoverished, ill-organized, insecure and hungry nation scrabbling its way unsurely to self-sufficiency and the democratic way of life. India's priority is to find some way of feeding its people and lifting their standards. It cannot afford the high-falutin' of powerful nations.

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NEW Delhi's decision to ask for 50,000 tons of grain from China may raise still another serious question between India and the United States and may even cause some embarrassment to Britain, who has offered to provide India with the ships in which to transport the grain. There exists, today, what amounts to an economic boycott of China; and the grain deal may be regarded, at least technically, as opposed to the interests of the United States and the U.N. On the other hand, there is not the slightest doubt that the U.S. administration and the American public, however irritated they may have been about India's policy at U.N., have no wish to use the economic weapon against the people of India. Mr. Acheson has made it plain that grain for India is not only a humanitarian need but a policy need as well; and American public opinion has shown, through the newspapers and the activities of the Church bodies and other associations, that the question of food for India should in no wise be tied up with politics.

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IT is possible, therefore, that the Indian decision to get grain from China and to consider a deal with Russia, may remove the last hesitations from Congress and result in speedy shipments from America. The New Delhi proposals have emphasized Mr. Acheson's warnings against an act of revengeful niggardliness which could have the effect of prising off still more of the weakened hold that the Western democracies have on the Far East. Hunger on the one hand, sustenance on the other, are still worth richly more than a row of slogans. The ideology of the stomach tells every time.

Tel Aviv, April 9.

Truman Confers On MacArthur

WASHINGTON, Sunday. — President Truman is reported to be considering the possibility of some disciplinary action against General McArthur in an effort to 'prevent new excursions by the U.N. Commander into public controversy on Far Eastern policy. Mr. Truman yesterday conferred at the White House with the Secretary of Defence, General George C. Marshall, and General Omar N. Bradley, Chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff.

In a letter quoted on Friday by Mr. Joseph Martin, Republican leader of the House of Representatives, the General advocated the use of Chinese Nationalist troops in Korea and claimed that "in Asia we fight Europe's war with arms while the diplomats there still fight it with words."

Another Chance

The most likely development appears to be that Mr. Truman will give General MacArthur "one more chance" because statements belatedly published this week in Congress and in the world press were made before the Joint Chiefs of Staff had specifically ordered him at the end of last month to clear such political statements with Washington.

A frequent comment heard today was that it was "inconceivable" that Mr. Truman would recall General MacArthur, one of the most popular military heroes in American history: that it would weaken the morale of the armed forces and that its long-term result might be the loss of the presidency by the Democratic Party in next year's election.

LONDON, PARIS, IRATE

LONDON, Sunday. — Sunday newspapers of various political complexions today demanded that the U.S. either control General MacArthur's quasi-political pronouncements or recall him. Editorials urged the British government to make strong representations to Washington along these lines at once.

The "Observer" said: "In normal circumstances the disciplining of an insubordinate officer is solely the responsibility of his own government. But General MacArthur commands U.N. forces, including a sizeable British contingent; his political statements are therefore our proper concern. His recent remarks advocate an Asian war that would emphatically not have the support of this country."

"MacArthur Must Go!" was the headline over the weekly column of Mr. Richard Crossman, leader of the leftist Labour Members of Parliament, in the "Sunday Pictorial." After saying that Mr. Morrison had "renamed the Foreign Office the 'Peace Office'," Mr. Crossman declared: "To make that phrase a reality Mr. Morrison must first win his war against General MacArthur."

In an editorial entitled, "MacArthur: This is the Showdown" Reynolds News, a pro-Labour newspaper, declared: "In the course of 48 hours this arrogant soldier has thumbed his nose at President Truman, sneered at the British Government and made the U.N. look like an ineffective assembly of junior school debaters. MacArthur in effect tells Great Britain and the U.N. that their policy is nonsense. He and he alone knows the right policy for Asia."

Mr. Sidney Silverman, left-wing Member of Parliament, declared in a speech last night: "The greatest immediate danger of World War III is the personality of General MacArthur in Tokyo. This man is a danger to world peace. Unless the U.N. forces can be commanded by someone more inbued with U.N. ideals and policy, then our troops ought to be withdrawn from his command."

Judgment Questioned

Commentator Andre Fontaine wrote in the Conservative Paris evening newspaper "Le Monde" yesterday that General MacArthur wants war. Of MacArthur's reported desire to invade Manchuria, Fontaine said: "According to him, Russian intervention would be highly improbable. But he also told us that the Chinese would not intervene in Korea and that the G.I.'s would eat their Christmas turkey at home. It may well be that he is wrong again.

"Europeans know perfectly well that if the Red Army entered the conflict it would almost fatally degenerate into general war," he concluded.

(AP, Reuter)

U.N. Planes Fly 700 Sorties While Ground Fighting Slows

TOKYO, Sunday, (Reuter). — Ground fighting on the front line along the 38th Parallel hardly existed today — but U.N. planes, roaring across it, hammered hard at Communist troops and communications. Ranging all over North Korea, tactical fighter and bomber aircraft flew over 700 sorties during daylight hours.

But sketchy front reports meanwhile spoke of the possibility of a military stalemate along the 38th Parallel.

General Ridgway's international forces confined themselves for the day mainly to "aggressive patrolling" on the western front and in the east to unspecified advances against light scattered resistance. The 8th Army H.Q. summary of the day's fighting did not give the approximate locations of these minor gains.

From the last positions to be pinpointed, military observers here traced an Allied line showing small indentations south of the Parallel. The line lay roughly along the Parallel — slightly north of the border in the west and south of it in the eastern sector. Advances against a small bulge of stubborn Communist resistance north-east of the former key Communist base of Chunchon were slowly straightening the line.

The front was believed to have pushed farthest north to the east of the salient on the east coast sector, where the South Korean Capitol Division was reported to be continuing its advance into North Korea against "no significant enemy activity." They were believed to be at least 15 kms. over the Parallel.

Immediately west of the Communist salient near Chunchon, Allied troops had been reported several kms. north of the Parallel. Reports of recent advances would place the U.N. at least 12 kms. into North Korea for the rest of the central and western central front.

Disease Feared By Armies in Korea

WESTERN FRONT, KOREA, Sunday (Reuter). — U.N. medical authorities here said today that disease will soon be as great a menace as the Communist armies. The Korean method of manuring fields is responsible for swarms of disease-carrying insects, and it is feared that the warm spring weather may spread dysentery, typhus, malaria, smallpox and typhoid, while the clouds of disease-laden dust may cause eye and throat infections.

U.N. troops are being issued with filter-masks and dust-proof goggles. It is expected that the Chinese will also suffer heavily from disease this summer despite their natural immunity, a U.S. medical officer said.

U.S. Officers On Air Survey of Israel

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM). — The Chief Military and Air Attache at the U.S. Embassy here, Colonel Samuel C.H. Gurney, accompanied by the Military Attache, Lieut.-Colonel A. Booth and the Assistant Air Attache, Captain Thomas F. Brubaker, today flew a survey over Israel in the Military Attache's aircraft. They were accompanied by Rav-Seren Arye Rosenblum, Army Liaison Officer.

Greater U.S. Aid For M.E. Mooted

WASHINGTON, Sunday (UP). — The U.S. is considering greater aid to meet the security needs of the Middle East — considered here an area of weakness on the Soviet perimeter, a high official said today.

"There are explosive possibilities in the area," he claimed, "but we will work on patiently until basic security is established there."

The main U.S. concern, according to the official, is centred over unrest in Iran and the recent strife between Israel and Syria. Possible security aid for the region, he said, might include arms and ingredients for technical and military training.

FAMILY OF GANDHI'S SON JOINS FAST

DURBAN, Sunday (Reuter). — Manilal Gandhi, the son of the late Mahatma Gandhi, who is fasting for a fortnight as a protest against the South African racial policy, was joined in his fast for one day yesterday by his family.

Since starting the fast on Thursday, Mr. Gandhi has taken only seven glasses of water. He said that at the end of the fast he would defy the Government's Apartheid law.

Persia Replies To U.K. on Oil Nationalizing

TEHERAN, Sunday, (Reuter). — The Persian Government told Britain in a note today that it had no alternative but to await detailed plans for oil nationalization expected from Parliament shortly. The note, signed by Hussein Ala, the recently appointed Premier, pointed out that Parliament had unanimously decided to nationalize the Anglo-Iranian Company's oilfield.

It was in reply to a British note on March 15 which said Persia could not legally end the Company's operations in Persia "by an act such as nationalization."

The note, issued here today, said the Persian Government was very anxious to maintain and strengthen friendly relations and mutual confidence between the peoples and governments of Persia and Britain.

The Persian Government's business on oil was with the Anglo-Iranian Company, and the Company had not raised the matter or made any statement.

Cabinet Presented

Meanwhile, Mr. D. R. Serpell, of the British Treasury, and Mr. Victor S. Butler, of the British Ministry of Fuel and Power, left London by air for Washington last night for Anglo-U.S. talks on the Persian oil problem. Mr. Geoffrey Furlonge, head of the British Foreign Office's Eastern Department, left on Friday night.

They will assist the British Ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks, in the talks which begin on Monday, with Mr. George McGhee, Assistant Secretary for State for Middle and Southeast Asian Affairs, who will represent the U.S.

The Persian Prime Minister, Hussein Ala, meanwhile, told the Majlis today that his new government could re-establish order and security. He was presenting his Cabinet for approval to the Majlis.

The debate on the Government's programme will last several weeks, but it is believed that his Cabinet will win the House's confidence. In compliance with the constitution, the Prime Minister asked the Majlis to approve the state of martial law "temporarily proclaimed in certain parts of the country" as a result of the recent strikes in the oilfields.

(Reuter, AFP)

U.S. Helps Persia To Fight Locusts

WASHINGTON, Sunday (Reuter). — The U.S. government is sending six light hedge-hopping aircraft to Persia in response to an appeal to help fight the country's worst locust invasion in 80 years. They will be flown to Persia in two large C54 planes, and will be used to spray the infested areas with a powerful new American insecticide.

A Persian Ministry of Agriculture spokesman described the situation today as "very grave" and said that famine threatened the country if the millions of locusts' eggs were not destroyed. Persian army units have already used thousands of tons of poison, he said, but international help is needed.

41 KILLED IN PLANE CRASHES

SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA, Sunday (Reuter). — A U.S. Dakota airliner crashed in the rugged coastal mountains near here on Friday night, killing 22 on board. There were no survivors.

The plane, with 19 passengers, mostly servicemen, and a crew of three on board, crashed in a fog while on a flight from San Francisco to Los Angeles.

In Charleston, West Virginia, 19 air force men on their way to a funeral were killed today when their plane crashed and exploded near here. Two others were injured. The plane was on its way from Elgin field, Florida.

Stevenson in Cairo

CAIRO, Sunday, (Reuter). — Sir Ralph Stevenson, the British Ambassador to Egypt, arrived here last night with the British clarifications of the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty revision terms. He said he could not say when the talks would be resumed, but is expected to lose no time in conveying the latest British proposals to the Egyptian Foreign Minister.

There is no change in the joint Egyptian demand for the evacuation of British troops and the unification of the Nile Valley under the Egyptian crown.

TWO WARSHIPS SAIL FOR U.S.

Two Israel warships have sailed on a courtesy visit to the U.S. The vessels' arrival will coincide with the opening of the Independence Day celebrations, and the beginning of the $500m. bond drive.

The warships will visit some 20 North American ports.

A military spokesman in Tel Aviv said yesterday that the trip would be a "goodwill visit."

Many members of the ships' crews had battle experience during the War of Liberation. A number of them speak English, having gained naval experience aboard Allied vessels or attached to Allied navies during World War II. The crews are understood to be the regular ships' complements.

Terrorist Group To Be Legal in Egypt

Egypt's terrorist Moslem Brotherhood will be allowed to become legal again, when military regulations outlawing it expire during this year, Cairo Radio reported yesterday. The Brotherhood was declared illegal in December, 1948, after a series of outrages committed by its members.

Three weeks after its banning, the Brotherhood replied with the assassination of the then Prime Minister, Nokrashi Pasha, responsible for the ban.

The decision not to renew the ban on the Moslem Brotherhood was taken at a Cabinet meeting yesterday, which decided that some of the military regulations expiring this year —including the outlawing of the Brotherhood—will not be extended. The Cabinet also finally discussed the report by the Egyptian Foreign Ministry on the six-nation protest note on Suez Canal restrictions, but delayed a decision till next week, Cairo Radio reports.

Censorship Extended

Observers said that the reason for the legalization of the Moslem Brotherhood was to prevent this well-organized terrorist group in Egypt from joining the King Farouk-supported opposition in the Wafdist Cabinet.

The Cabinet also decided to extend censorship on incoming and outgoing mail and cables for a further year, and to prolong martial law in the Sinai peninsula.

Syrian Cabinet Receives Vote Of Confidence

DAMASCUS, Sunday (Reuter). — Parliament today passed a vote of confidence in the new Cabinet of Khaled el Azzem, after the A-Shaab (Populist) Party reversed a previous decision to oppose the Cabinet. The Cabinet was supported by 54 of the 102 delegates present, 44 A-Shaab Party abstaining from voting, after the party's other 10 Parliament members had left the Chamber.

The A-Shaab decision, which saved the Cabinet from almost certain defeat, was reported by the Arab News Agency as arising directly out of the Israel-Syrian crisis. A-Shaab leaders decided at the last moment that in such critical times it was better to have a bad Cabinet than no Cabinet at all, ANA said. Previously the party had announced it would do everything possible to prevent el Azzem's Cabinet from coming to power.

The NEABS meanwhile reported that the House had asked Rushdi Kikhya — former President of the House — to reconsider his resignation three weeks ago in protest against army pressure on Dr. Nazim el Kudsi. Kikhya is reported to have said he would consider the matter and give his final reply on Wednesday.

Syrian Planes Fly High Over Ein Gev

TIBERIAS, Sunday. — Two Syrian planes were observed every morning for the past three days flying at great altitude over the settlement of Ein Gev in the demilitarized zone, apparently reconnoitring and photographing the area.

Ein Gev settlement continues its preparations for its Passover musical festival. Members of the settlement said that fishing on the Lake was continuing without interference.

The Arab population of Samra village, who had crossed into Syria with their tents and established themselves just across the border, have now moved farther into Syrian territory. They return every morning, however, to work their land in the demilitarized zone.

According to reports of local observers, Syrian troops continue to occupy the village of El Hamma.

Ben Gurion Is Witness In 'Kol Ha'am' Action

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Cross-examined for three hours in the Tel Aviv District Court today, Mr. David Ben Gurion, the Prime Minister, appeared as a witness summoned by the defence in the case in which the then editor, publisher and printer of the Communist daily "Kol Ha'am" are charged with publishing a criminal libel.

Mr. Ben Gurion took the stand in a crowded courtroom, presided over by Judge S. Ginossar. More crowds seethed in the corridors, interspersed with many police and military policemen. More police, including many high officers, were in the hall of the court itself.

The charge against the accused is based on an article in "Kol Ha'am" published in October, 1949, which commented on a speech delivered by the Prime Minister at a Labour Youth Jubilee Rally. In the speech it was said that 70 years ago Jewish revolutionaries in Czarist Russia had given their blessing to pogroms on the Jews, saying that Jewish blood was "oil on the wheels of the revolution"; and also that 13 years ago Jewish Communists in Palestine had given their blessing to pogroms organised by the Mufti, saying that they were "the uprising of a colonial people against their Zionist enslavers."

In its comment "Kol Ha'am" had said, among other things, that Mr. Ben Gurion had attacked the Communists in Russia and the Bolshevik Party with unbridled incitement, that his statements were "base lies" which only "traitors to their people and enemies of the workers" had ever dared to utter. It was also stated that Mr. Ben Gurion was "an American agent," who "dragged the chariot of his American masters," and who spoke like an American representative "fresh from Truman's lair."

The accused, charged with defaming the Prime Minister by alleging he was a traitor, an enemy of the working class and a person who uttered "base lies," called him as witness in an attempt to justify their words. This was the defence outlined by the late Mr. I. Shaw-Yanait, who had appeared for them at previous hearings. The accused were not represented by counsel today.

"Was Insulted"

Mr. Ben Gurion was first examined by Dr. Marcus Bilitski, responsible editor of the paper in October, 1949. The first questions were directed to the "Kol Ha'am" article, which, said Mr. Ben Gurion, contained "malicious distortions" of his speech, designed to slander the Prime Minister of Israel and to sow enmity between Israel and the Soviet Union. Asked if he was insulted by the article, the witness replied, "I could not feel insulted by anything 'Kol Ha'am' can say." At this stage the Attorney General, Mr. H. Cohen, interrupted to say, "I —the State— have been insulted."

Numerous questions were directed to the witness concerning Fred Harris, who, the accused argued, was a high officer in the United States intelligence and was admitted

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IT'S ALL IN THE BOOK

Mr. Ben Gurion giving evidence yesterday stood in the witness box, leaning against the stand. He refused a chair when it was offered him, saying he wished no "privileges."

During arguments, he thumbed through the Bible on the stand. On one occasion, he apparently became so absorbed that he did not hear the next question when the examination was resumed.

"Mister witness! Mister witness!" said the accused, but the witness took no notice. Nor did he seem to hear the Attorney-General's meaning cough. At last he raised his head, put aside the Bible with apparent reluctance, and repeated what he had said many times before: "If it's in my book ("During Israel's Battle"), I confirm it. If it is not, I cannot say a single word."

U.S. Counsels Conciliation

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Monnett B. Davis, called on Mr. Walter Eytan, Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, again this morning, to receive further information on events on the Syrian border. He had seen Mr. Eytan on Friday, on the instruction of the U.S. State Department. Today's visit was also understood to have followed instructions from Washington.

During his half-hour talk Mr. Davis is understood to have advised Israel to adopt a policy of moderation, and to have expressed the hope that this country would do nothing to aggravate the situation. He is reported to have stated that the U.S. thought that the local U.N. bodies were competent to deal with the issue, and hoped that Israel would co-operate with such bodies. Mr. Eytan is understood to have repeated that it was Israel's hope that the Huleh and El Hamma incident could be settled speedily and peacefully.

A military spokesman said here this evening that Israel would try to communicate with Col. de Ridder, Acting U.N. Chief of Staff, to arrange a meeting of the Israel-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission. He said that Israel was prepared to attend such a meeting if it was under the chairmanship of someone who enjoyed the confidence of both sides, and if the meeting was confined to matters within the competence of the M.A.C., including breaches of the armistice but excluding drainage work in the Huleh.

Plan for Meeting

It is believed that Sgan-Aloof Shaul Ramati, in charge of Israel delegations to the M.A.C.'s, has been instructed to get in touch with Col. de Ridder to discuss the meeting.

The spokesman said that he thought the Syrians might have withdrawn from the El Hamma area by now, but added that this was a point for the M.A.C. to take up. No patrols had been sent there to investigate.

Colonel Georges Bossavy, the French chairman of the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission, has been summoned to his headquarters at B'handun, near Beirut, Reuter reports. It is believed that he has been called by the Acting U.N. Chief of Staff, Col. Bennet de Ridder, for consultations on the present position of Israel-Syria relations, the reports adds. Commandant Rousset, of France, will act for Colonel Bossavy during the latter's absence.

A U.N. spokesman in Jerusalem who has been in contact with Beirut said last night that Col. de Ridder has in-

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Eban Asks Action On Three Points

LAKE SUCCESS, Sunday. — Israel last night charged Syria with the violation of the Armistice Agreement and asked for Security Council action on three violations.

The Security Council will probably meet late this week to discuss the situation, the Council President said. A.N.A. reports that the meeting will take place on Tuesday.

Ambassador A. Eban, the permanent Israel delegate, in a telegram, charged Syria with:

1) Persistent firing on civilian workers in the demilitarized zone in Israel territory near B'not Yakov Bridge on March 15 and between March 25 and 28, 1951;

2) The entry of Syrian armed forces into the demilitarized zone in Israel territory between El Hamma and Khirbet Tewfiq on April 3, 1951;

3) The action of Syrian armed forces in opening fire on Israel civilian policemen near El Hamma in Israel territory on April 4, 1951, killing seven policemen and wounding three. *(UP, Reuter)*

An Israel representative on the Israel-Syria M.A.C. is reported to have left Tiberias yesterday afternoon on his way to Roch Pina to meet Syrian members of the Commission. He was reportedly accompanied by a U.N. observer.

This informal meeting would be the first direct contact between Israel and Syria since the seven Israel policemen were murdered last Wednesday and the El Hamma area was bombed in retaliation by Israel.

Gov't Cites Misuse Of Armistice Pacts

By Our Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — I understand that when the U.S. Ambassador this morning called upon Mr. Walter Eytan, Director General of the Foreign Ministry, he expressed his government's hopes that Israel would move with caution in its handling of the dispute between it and Syria. He said that the U.S. Government was convinced of the adequacy of the U.N. organs in this area to deal with frontier complaints and possible contraventions of the Armistice Agreement, and asked that Israel should act loyally towards those organs. The Ambassador stressed the anxious interest of the United States in the maintenance of stability in this area.

The arguments officially used in support of Israel's retaliatory action, and which the delegation to the U.N. is likely to emphasize, is the fact that the Government has for some time been weighing the question of whether or not to submit its complaints against Syria to the Security Council, and decided against this action in order to avoid inflating the dispute beyond the capacity of the M.A.C. Wednesday's murder of the seven members of a police patrol (for which there has been no explanation or expression of regret from the Syrian government) reached a point of provocation which, in the view of the government, could not be overlooked or left to notes of complaint or painless M.A.C. decisions without encouraging further acts of official murder.

The Government is likely to point out to the Security Council that the Arab states have consistently used the Armistice Agreements as instruments of pressure against the normal activities of the State of Israel.

Jordan's refusal to fulfil the Armistice terms regarding Mount Scopus, and Egypt's violation of the Agreement in the matter of Israel cargoes through the Suez Canal, are, in the government's view, part and parcel of an attitude of which Syria's behaviour in the Huleh is the most recent example.

Legion Shoots Man Near Bet Safafa

The body of an unidentified Jew killed by the Arab Legion near Bet Safafa, south of Jerusalem, on Saturday was returned to Israel yesterday. The Legion stated that he had entered Arab territory on Saturday afternoon and was shot while trying to return to Israel.

No documents were found on the body. He is described as a man of from 45 to 50, with light complexion and husky build.

The body was taken to the Bikur Holim Hospital.

KING DAVID HOTEL
Is the place to dine

Social & Personal

The Jerusalem District Representative, Dr. Avraham Biran, yesterday gave a luncheon at the Touring Club for the members of the American Christian Committee for Palestine now visiting the country.

Rabbi and Mrs. Barnett R. Brickner left in the s.s. LaGuardia last week after a five-week stay in Israel and a week in Teheran under the auspices of the American Joint Distribution Committee.

Mrs. Ruth Shaari, director of the Sharon Hotels Co. Ltd., has arrived from London and is staying at the Sharon Hotel.

Mr. E.J. Langford, Director of the Alkali and General Chemicals Divisions of I.C.I. Ltd., London, has arrived in Tel Aviv on a short visit.

The Israel Association of University Women will At Home to members and guests at 4 p.m. today: Bet Shalom, Talbieh quarter, Jerusalem on the occasion of its 19th anniversary.

A cocktail party and fashion show will be held by the Anti-Tuberculosis League at the home of Mr. N. Krinitzi in Ramat Gan at 4.30 tomorrow afternoon. Tickets are available only upon presentation of the invitation at Braun's Fur Salon, 99 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv.

A festive gathering of pupils and trainees of the Youth Aliyah will be held at 4 p.m. today in the Y.M.C.A. compound, as part of the Jewish Children's Day celebrations. The children will march in procession from the Alliance Israel Girls' School through Jaffa Rd., and to the Y.M.C.A.

Mr. A. Kolb will address the Progressive Culture Club, 46 Rehov Nahlat Benjamin, Tel Aviv, at 8.15 this evening on "Israel Art."

The Police Band, under the direction of Police Officer N. Gribov, will play in the gardens in King George Avenue in Jerusalem at 5 p.m. on Thursday.

BIRTHS

HARRIS — To Muriel (née Links), wife of Dr. Sidney Harris, Tel Aviv — a daughter.

KRONGOLD — To Noa (nee Carmel), wife of Mr. Nadir Krongold, of Beit Zevya, — a son.

ZEMANEK — To Andrea (née Levie), wife of Mr. Arje Zemanek, on April 2 — a son. Temporary address: Sparrenlaan 1, Hilversum, Holland.

El Al Joins World Air Association

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—The Israel National Airline, El Al, became a member of I.A.T.A. (International Air Transport Association) on April 1, Mr. Arye L. Pinkus, managing director of the airline, revealed here today. Membership means that an Israel representative is automatically chairman of the local committee of air companies. It also gives Israel a voice in the international fixing of prices, operations and legal matters affecting international aviation.

The first regular scheduled flight to the U.S. will leave Lydda on April 29, returning from New York on May 2.

Mr. Pinkus said that the line's second Constellation aircraft was already in service, and it was hoped to add a third during the summer. The U.S. flights were a big undertaking, Mr. Pinkus said, adding that he hoped El Al would be able to compete commercially with the other internationally famous airlines.

Foreign Currency

Since April 1, 1950, El Al has received no foreign currency grants from the Treasury but has covered all its expenditure in hard currency from its own revenue. The company balanced its budget for 1950, and even made a small profit—no small achievement for an air line, Mr. Pinkus said. Comparing the first three months of 1951 with those of 1950, Mr. Pinkus said that passengers carried had risen from 2,700 to 3,600; freight from 30 to 154 tons; and mail from 14 to 16 tons.

A special weekly air freight service to Europe using Curtis Commando aircraft is to be introduced this month, in addition to the regular passenger flights using Constellations and Skymasters.

U.S. NAVAL RESEARCH CHIEF APPOINTED

WASHINGTON, Sunday (INA) — The White House today announced the appointment of Dr. Emanuel R. Piore, a Jewish scientist, as chief scientist of the Office of Naval Research, which deals with all new inventions which may be of use to the Navy.

The Hebrew National
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Tomorrow, at 8.30 p.m.
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(Soloist)
Conductor: H. SUSSKIND

B.G. Speech Draws Editorial Fire

Both the economic and political aspects of Mr. Ben Gurion's speech to the Commercial and Industrial Club on Friday came under the editorial fire of the right-wing press yesterday. Concentrating on the Prime Minister's statement on the Syrian affair, "Ha'aretz" (independent) presented a long list of questions designed to show that the foreign policy of Mr. Ben Gurion, as the Acting Foreign Minister, was faulty.

The questions suggested that the police patrol which lost seven men should not have been sent into the area without adequate arms; that Mr. Ben Gurion's statement that Arab villagers had asked to be evacuated did not square with an Army spokesman's statement; that the bombing did not lead to a Syrian withdrawal, and that the present was not the right time to invite foreign intervention in the dispute by intransigeance.

Private Enterprise

Challenging the Prime Minister's distinction between private enterprise and the labour movement, "Haboker" (General Zionist) recalled that private enterprise had built the early settlements, moved by ideals and not by the profit motive. The latter in any case operated in all sectors. The paper doubted whether the Prime Minister's "prejudiced" statement actually constituted a "compromise."

The press gave prominence to "Health Week" (with emphasis on the Anti-Tuberculosis League) and "Children's Day." "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) and "Hatzofe" (Mizrahi) printed editorials on the latter. "Davar" (Histadrut) on the former, and a number of other papers published articles. "Davar" also published an editorial urging that the 1951-52 housing programme encompass the mabarot and warned against confining this activity to isolated regions.

An article by Mr. Yitzhak Gruenbaum in "Al Hamishmar" forecast that the elections and the Zionists Congress will both be postponed, and calculated that the Congress could not be held before next year. The article expressed apprehension that the negligent attitude toward the Congress may lead it to the same fate as the Knesset.

Youths Crossed On Arab's Invitation

The three youths, Benjamin Cohen, 20, Yitzhak Cohen, 22, and Ben Zion Givoni, 20, of Mevo'ot Betar, were returned to Israel on Friday after crossing the lines to obtain drinking water last Monday.

They had been ploughing near Wadi Fukin when at 5 p.m. they gave their water bottles to an Arab from across the border who filled them from a well in Jordan territory. In order to reassure the youths, the Arab drank first from the bottle, the youths said. The Arab went a second time to fill the bottles, and Yitzhak Cohen waited while the other two went to collect their tools.

When the two had returned, Yitzhak had disappeared, and they crossed the lines to look for him. The Arab had invited Yitzhak to come and drink coffee in the village, but on arriving, he had been spotted by an Arab Legion border patrol who took him in custody. When the other two youths appeared, they too were arrested.

They were taken on foot to a nearby village and thence by bus to Bethlehem, where they were interrogated.

The following day they were taken to the prison at Ramallah where they were again questioned on immigration into Israel, Israel Army strength and on the "true" reason for their crossing the lines. On Friday morning they were told that they were being returned to Israel.

They related that there are three Jews in Ramallah prison, one of whom is the chief cook. There were also a number of Arab infiltrators who were suspected of being spies.

U.S. PILGRIMS DUE

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—A group of 20 Lutheran pilgrims from Minneapolis are due to arrive by TWA here tomorrow for a four-day tour of the Holy Places. The trip was arranged by Peltours. The group is led by Dr. Elmer S. Hjortland.

Industrial Accidents Up Fourfold

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—During the past three years, the number of industrial accidents and the number of work-days lost through such accidents increased fourfold, according to figures made available today.

Statistics compiled by a committee composed of representatives of the Ministry of Labour, the Histadrut and the Manufacturers' Association, show that even taking into account the expansion of building, industry and agriculture, the accident rate is constantly on the increase. There were 4,562 accidents in 1948, with 24 deaths and 42,000 lost work-days. In 1949 there were 9,600 accidents, 34 deaths and 100,000 lost days, and the last figure again doubled last year to 18,000 accidents. About 45 workers were killed in 1950.

Representatives of the "Professional Hygiene in Industry Committee" gave three main reasons for the steep accident rise:

1) **the employment of untrained new immigrants in industry;**
2) **crowding in rapidly expanding enterprises; and**
3) **negligence.**

The last, they said, was responsible for about two-thirds of all accidents, despite the committee's manifold endeavours to curb them.

Regional conferences of safety supervisors in factories are taking place now, and soon after their conclusion, a "Work Safety Month" will be proclaimed.

Food Production Gains Noted

Rises in the production of margarine, edible oils, vegetable and citrus preserves, chocolate and wine during January as compared with December were reported by the Central Bureau of Statistics yesterday.

Chocolate production was 516 tons in December and 639 tons in January, of which 96 tons and 86 tons respectively were exported. The output of beer fell from 1,023,747 litres in December to 899,742 litres in January; while wine produced increased from 445,683 litres to 471,726 litres during the same period.

Margarine production totalled 347 tons in January as against 296 tons in December and 503 tons in November.

Refined oil output during the same period was 443 tons, 160 tons and 611 tons respectively. Cement production remained steady at 38,724 tons.

The output of jam rose from 177 tons in December to 585 tons in January; citrus juices from 126 tons to 409 tons; canned fruits from 32 tons to 266; and preserved vegetables from 31 tons to 136 tons. The increases were largely seasonal.

Total Electricity sales of the two Electricity Corporations during 1950 amounted to 464,052,000 kwh., of which 140,565,000 kwh. were for industrial purposes. The corresponding figures for 1949 were 329,265,000 kwh. and 96,897,000 kwh. respectively.

IL. 45,000 in Living Legacies For J.N.F.

Living legacies totalling IL.45,000 have been made over to the Jewish National Fund by three Israel residents.

One anonymous donor, a merchant, gave IL.30,000 in cash Mr. P. Fuchs, an old-time resident of Tel Aviv, gave IL.10,000; and Mr. S. L. Richmond, a veteran Zionist from America who has been living in Israel for many years, gave IL.5,000 in cash and securities in addition to a previous living legacy of a similar amount.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

9-1; 2-6: Retrospective Exhibition: Albert Marquet (1875-1947); Exhibit of the Month: Small silver jewel casket from Ferrara; Bezalel Museum.

9 a.m.-1 p.m.; 3-7 p.m.: Exhibition of Pupils' Works, Beth Ze'irot Mizrahi, Vocational Training School. (Open till April 15).

TEL AVIV

9-1; 3-7: Ceramics by Jean David: Mikra Studio, 56 Rehov Allenby.

10-4: Works by Israel Artists: Tel Aviv Museum.

8.30 p.m.: "Hotel de Commerce:" Chamber Theatre: Mograbi.

8.45 p.m. "Special Appeal:" Li-La-Lo, Jaabo Heifetz Hall.

HAIFA

9 a.m.-5.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gibel.

10-1; 4-8: Municipal Museum, 2 Hassan Shukri Street.

10-12; 4-8: Paintings by Moshe Mokady, Histadrut Hall, Rehov Keller, Mt. Carmel.

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Leaders Beat Cup Finalists

Tottenham Hotspur enhanced their chances of being the English Football League's Division I champions for this current season when they beat the Cup Finalists, Newcastle United, by 1-0 on Saturday, at St. James Park, the Tynesiders' own ground.

The Londoners winger Sonny Walters scored the first, and winning, goal after 20 minutes' play in the first half. Two minutes later Tottenham's inside man, Bennett, was injured and became a passenger on the ringht wing for the rest of the game.

Play was fast and bustling with the little finesse coming from the winning visitors, whose defence, in right back, Ramsey, England defender, and halfback Clark was prominent. Clark, particularly, kept a successful close watch on Jack Milburn, Newcastle's centre-forward, who, despite trojan work, was beaten by Tottenham's centre-half.

Spurs' challengers fell behind in the premier honours race when Manchester United went down by 2-0 to Stoke City, and Middlesbrough were held to a one-all draw at home by Bolton Wanderers. Arsenal shocked their supporters by losing 2-1 to Liverpool at Highbury, while the other Cup Finalists lost at Huddersfield by the same score.

A.K.

Saturday's British Soccer Results

ENGLISH LEAGUE

Division I

Arsenal	1	Liverpool	2
Burnley	1	Derby C.	0
Chelsea	1	Aston V.	1
Huddersfield	2	Blackpool	1
Middlesbrough	1	Bolton W.	0
Newcastle	0	Tottenham	1
Portsmouth	0	Sunderland	0
Sheffield W.	2	Fulham	0
Stoke C.	2	Man. U.	0
West Brom.	3	Charlton	1

Division II

Birmingham	3	Sheffield U.	1
Barry	1	Swansea	1
Cardiff	1	Barnsley	1
Chesterfield	1	Doncaster	0
Coventry	2	S'hampton	1
Grimsby T.	0	Luton T.	2
Leicester	1	Brentford	1
Manchester C.	1	Blackburn	0
Notts. C.	0	Leeds U.	1
Preston N.E.	0	West Ham	1
Q.P.R.	3	Hull C.	1

Division III (South)

Bournem'th	3	Port V.	0
Bristol C.	0	Torquay	1
Exeter	1	Northampton	1
Gillingham	1	Notts. F.	1
Ipswich	1	Crystal P.	1
Leyton O.	1	Bristol R.	0
Millwall	1	Aldershot	1
Plymouth	3	Brighton	1
Reading	5	Newport	1
Southend	0	Norwich	1
Walsall	3	Colchester	1
Watford	1	Swindon	1

Division III (North)

Accrington S.	1	Darlington	1
Barrow	2	Chester	1
Bradford	1	Hartlepools	1
Carlisle	2	Lincoln	1
Mansfield T.	4	Bradford C.	1
Oldham	2	Gateshead	0
Rotherham	3	Rochdale	0
Scunthorpe	6	N. Brighton	1
Southport	2	Stockport	1
Tranmere	3	Halifax	0
Wrexham	0	Crewe A.	1
York C.	2	Shrewsbury	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Division A

Aberdeen	1	E. Fife	0
Dundee	2	Hibs.	1
Hearts	1	Celtic	1
Motherwell	2	Rangers	1
Partick	1	Morton	0
St. Mirren	3	Airdrie	1

Division B

Albion R.	1	Kilmarnock	2
Ayr U.	8	Dunfermline	1
Cowdenb'th	4	Hamilton Ac.	1
Stenh'emuir	3	Dumbarton	2
St. Johnstone	0	Qu. o'Sth.	0

Amateur International

Scotland 2 England 0

N.U. International

France 8 Wales 3

Woon Pen Sion, Singapore's sports goods salesman, retained his All-England Badminton championship recently defeating fellow countryman, Oaz Poh Lim, 15/12, 12/15, 15/7 in the final of the men's singles tournament at the Earls Court, London.

SATURDAY'S LOCAL SOCCER RESULTS

Histadrut Cup

Raanana Hap.	2	Holon Hap.	1
K. Saba Hap.	3	Giv. Haim Hap.	0
P.Tikva Hap.	1	Tel Aviv Hap.	0
Y'lem Hap.	4	Ram. Gan Hap.	2
T.A. Bnei Yeh.	3	M. Hashiva H.	1

Yad Le'Asara Cup

T.A. Betar	5	Nathanya Mac.	1
Madera Mac.	6	Nath. Betar	2
Jaffa Mac.	8	Jer. Mac.	2
Tiberias Mac.	3	T.A. Mac. Schm.	2
Haifa Mac. (Play ended 20 min. from the end)	5	Rishon Mac.	2

Northern League

H'fa Port Hap.	1	H'fa Hakoah	0
Acre Hap.	2	H'fa Hap. Dror	1
Kfar Ata Hap.	4	Hahotrim Hap.	2
Athlit S.C.	4	R. Haim Hap.	1

Youth League

Southern District

T.A. Hap.	5	P.Tikva Mac.	2
T.A. Mac.	2	Yehuda Hash.	2
T.A. Mac Avr.	1	Yaacov Hash.	0
P.Tikva Hap.	2	Tel Aviv Betar Natan	1
R. Gan Mac.	4	G. Aliyah Hap.	2

Sharon District

Raanana Hap.	1	R. Hakovesh Hapoel	6
Shfayim Hap.	5	Even Yeh. Mac.	1

Northern District

H'fa Dep. Yeh.	1	H'fa Hap. Dror	0
Haifa Mac.	15	Haifa Hakoah	0
R. David Hap.	3	H'fa Port Hap.	1

Emek League

Jezreel Hap.	7	K.Baruch Hap.	0

Friendlies

Rishon Hap.	1	T.A. Hakoah	3
Hadera Hap.	5	Zichron Mac.	1

Lurie Upsets Mottram

David Lurie, of South Africa, upset Britain's No. 1 player, Tony Mottram, last week, to win the Tally Ho Hard Courts Tennis Tournament at Birmingham. The tournament was the first major outdoor event of the British season.

Lurie, who is unranked in his own country, won in straight sets, 8/6, 7/5. He beat the British top-ranked player this year in a competition in the north of England. Jean Walker-Smith, No. 1 among British women, won the ladies' singles' title by defeating Kay Tuckey, ranked No. 4, 6/1, 6/4.

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON SUNDAY

Montredisio, It., gen. cargo, **Giuseppe Croce**, It., cement, **Oryaafjall**, Dan., gen. cargo, **Visgaland**, Sw., gen. cargo & loading citrus, **Grecian**, Br., loading citrus, **Bulgaria**, Bul., cement, **Tzfonit**, Is., cement, gen. cargo, **Wilpo**, Dut., gen. cargo, **Carbonello A.**, It., wood, **Nashe**, Tur., barley, **Yogat**, Tur., wheat, **Drenit**, It., wood.

Tel Aviv, Is., gen. cargo, **Galilah**, Is., being repaired, **Tichanov**, Rum., wood, **San Antonio**, It., being repaired, **Hamered**, Is., waiting to offload, **Sehahttin**, Tur., wood, **Nil**, Tur., oil, **Carlotta**, It., wood.

SHIPS EXPECTED

S.S. Aalasund, frozen fish, **Uffington Court**, gen. cargo, **Koksal**, cement, **Truvor**, cement, **Baldin**, cement, **Exiless**, flour, foodstuff, gen. cargo, **Alassahir**, dura, **Mardin**, bagged cargo, **Baalbek**, chemical fertilizer; will load citrus, **S.S Ecaterina**, wood, **Trakia**, household effects, **Pietro Andalo**, wood, cement, gen. cargo, **M.S Karamemet**, wood, **Transilvania**, immigrants, imm'a effects, frozen meat, **Brigitte Skou**, gen. cargo, **Tsh. 114 Alaska Bear**, wood, gen. cargo, paper, **? Dvora**, frozen fish.

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P.M. is Witness in Libel Case

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to meetings of the Israel General Staff. When Dr. Bilitzki asked whether Harris had been invited to Israel by the Government, the Attorney General (who appeared for the prosecution, with Mr. C. Glockmann and Miss N. Salomon), objected on the ground that it was the duty of a person in a responsible position not to disclose secrets of state which were liable to harm public interests.

Mr. Ben Gurion stated he knew Harris, who, "to my regret," was no longer serving in Israel. Harris, like the other volunteers from 52 countries who had helped Israel in her war of liberation, had not been required to swear an oath. He had returned to America.

In the course of the argument, Mr. Cohen said that all these questions and contentions put forward were designed to prove Mr. Ben Gurion was a traitor to his people. But they could not change the facts.

"This Court knows," said the Attorney General, "and every one else knows, and it is a fact, that the Prime Minister of Israel is not a traitor, not to his people or to the workers. Neither is he an American agent."

All in the Book

Dr. Bilitzki then passed on to the Negev battles. Mr. Ben Gurion said that all he was able to disclose concerning military matters or what happened in the Negev was written in his book, "During Israel's Battles." He confirmed every word there published, and could add not one word to it. More than he had written he could not disclose.

At this stage, a type of Greek chorus proceeding took place. Over and over again rounds of questions and statements were uttered.

Dr. Bilitzki: Isn't it true that the Israel Army were only seven kilometres from El Arish?

Mr. Cohen: I object to such and every question of this type.

The Judge: You cannot ask this question. The witness has already said what he can disclose and he cannot be asked further questions.

Mr. Ben Gurion: Is it in my book? If so, I confirm it. If not, I cannot say one word about it.

Eventually, the Attorney General undertook to produce the Prime Minister's book for the Court at the next hearing, and the accused passed on to question the witness about the $100m. loan obtained by Israel from the Export-Import Bank. Especial stress was laid on the clause providing for detailed information to be given to the Bank concerning Israel's economic position so long as the debt was still unpaid.

Loan "A Good Thing"

Mr. Ben Gurion said he did not know all the details concerning the loan, which was the department of another Minister, but he shared full responsibility for them. He said the loan was not treachery to Israel, and most people knew it was a good thing, though there might be a small band of traitors who called it "treachery." He thought it "a blessing to Israel."

In answer to the second accused, Mr. S. Fidel, formerly the publisher of "Kol Ha'am," Mr. Ben Gurion said he would answer in the proper place to allegations that he was an enemy of the workers because he did not make a workers' government although their parties had a majority in the Knesset. He denied he was in a "camp" of the Western powers together with Truman, Bevin, Robertson, McGhee "and other restorers of the Nazi Army."

Mr. Ben Gurion agreed that there was a time when the Communists, like every other party, helped Israel in her war of liberation. The Prime Minister's evidence was concluded at 1.15.

At the start of the proceedings, the accused asked for an adjournment on the ground that Mr. Y. Stavi, manager of the Amal Press, printer of the newspaper, was ill. They also asked for an opportunity to engage an advocate, saying their lawyer was also indisposed. The judge ruled that he would grant a postponement, but would not agree to summon Mr. Ben Gurion a second time. He held that if the accused wished to examine the Prime Minister, they must do so at the agreed time, since otherwise he would reverse his previous order that he be called as a witness.

The Amal Press was struck out as an accused, and the proceedings against them were discontinued. The case will be resumed in May.

LIE DUE APRIL 27

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Mr. Trygve Lie, U.N. Secretary-General, is due at Lydda at noon on April 27, and will take tea with President Weizmann in Rehovot later in the day. He will be the guest of Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett at dinner that evening, and will then attend a diplomatic reception in his honour at the Foreign Minister's residence.

He is expected to tour the country on Saturday, and will visit Holy Places on Sunday, calling on Prime Minister Ben Gurion in Jerusalem at midday. An official lunch will be given in his honour in the capital. Mr. Lie will leave, probably for Tripoli, on Sunday evening.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 249 M. TEL AVIV: 48.9, 31.1 & 522 M.:

NEWS: Hebrew: 7a.m., 1.30 p.m. 8, 8.30 and 10.35 p.m.; **English:** 2 and 10.15 p.m.; **Arabic Programme** (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; **French:** 3 p.m.

8.30 a.m.: Service. 6.55 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies. 7.45 Oriental Music (R). 8.30 Close Down.

10.00 a.m. Morning Concert (R). 10.50 Music of the People (R). 11.00 Concert Hall: Tragic Overture (Brahms); Concerto for Piano & Orchestra (Schumann); Classical Symphony (Prokofieff). 12.00 N. Break for Music (R). 12.30 Programme for Hospitals. 1.00 Soldiers' Programme. 1.55 Housewives' Corner. 2.15 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 4.30 Oriental Music: E. Aharon. 4.35 Piano Recital: Rina Shob. 5.00 Variety (R). 5.30 Talk by E. Oiswanger. 5.45 Interlude. 5.50 Agricultural Corner. 6.15 "Echoes of the Week: by D. Sher. 6.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 "From Worker to Worker": Talk. 7.45 Bible Reading. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.45 "Shadmot." 9.15 Popular Tales and Songs. 9.35 "The Telephone" Opera Buffa by Menotti. 10.00 Vocal Recital: Shimshon Neumann. 10.20 Recital: Sascha Parnes and Moshe Lustig. 11.00 Songs (R). 11.15 Close Down.

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Haifa city	60	11	22	23
Lydda Airport	62	9	23	25
Jerusalem	53	9	18	20
Beersheba	54	—	23	24

Forecast: Fair after dispersal of morning clouds.

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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A three-year-old boy, the son of immigrants from the Yemen, was returned to his parents in the new quarter of Beersheba yesterday morning after an all-night search by police and civilians. He was found three kilometres from his home, unharmed.

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130 camels which strayed into Israel from Egypt were caught and confiscated by Israel forces this week.

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The Ohel Theatre is preparing a new play, "Paragon," by Roland and Michael Pertwee. The Hebrew version is by M. Karu. The play will be produced by Ze'ev Barban, with settings by Genia Berger.

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The weekly lectures in the seminar of the Jerusalem Branch of the Anti-Tuberculosis League have been postponed until after Passover.

Iraqi Youth To Work on Land

A proposal to direct Iraqi immigrant youth into agriculture was made at yesterday's session of the Jewish Agency's Executive in Jerusalem.

The suggestion was presented by Mr. Moshe Kol, Chairman of the Youth Aliya Department. Mr. Kol spoke on the necessity of enlarging the resettlement budget.

Other matters discussed concerned Agency purchases abroad, and the Agency workers' demands for wage increases.

Three committees were appointed to deal with these problems.

Israel Asking For Irish Meat

DUBLIN, Sunday (UP). — Israel was yesterday reported to be negotiating the purchase of Irish goods to the value of between £1m. and £2m. sterling. The commodities in which Israel is primarily interested are meat, seed potatoes, dried milk, cheese and herrings.

Dr. A. Brin, the Economic Advisor of the Israel Legation in London, said that if the negotiations ended satisfactorily, an Israel purchasing mission would shortly travel to Ireland. He added that Israel hoped to sell in exchange citrus fruits, metal and leather ware, textiles, chemicals, fertilizers and machinery.

Ration News

The Chief Rabbinate has approved the use of beans, rice, American milk powder and corn-flour of yellow or white corn during Passover, owing to the austerity conditions prevailing in the country. Plastic kitchenware may be used only for serving dishes.

Special Valencia oranges will be rationed during April. The oranges will be paper-wrapped.

Price: 55 pruta per kilogram (two pruta more in Jerusalem, Beersheba and the Negev, Afula district and Galilee). Ordinary Valencia (Brara), will be 65 pruta per kilogram (two pruta more in the above mentioned areas).

TEL AVIV DISTRICT: — Eggs: children, 4; adults, 2; Resh 31, expectant mothers, additional 8, 2 coupons from card, ration for first half of month; physical labourers, additional 3, 27, ration for first half of month. Matjes herring: one herring, no coupons required. 300 pruta kilo. Onions: 300 grams, Feb. 26; visitors, 2?; tourists, 6; distribution in zones 6-8 ends Thursday. Chicken: distribution to 1½ persons: Het-Aleph 13, 750 grams; Het Bet 1, 600 grams; Het-Dalet 1, 800 grams. Bananas: 200 grams, Feb. 25; visitors, 22; tourists, 8; distribution in zone 8 ends Wednesday.

NORTHERN DISTRICT — Meat: distribution to physical labourers will take place at all butchers.

Election Day May Be Set This Week

Legislation laying down the election procedure and fixing July 30 as Election Day is expected to be voted upon this week in the Knesset. The House is due to adjourn for a one-month Passover recess after Wednesday's session.

The election bill will be introduced this afternoon and is expected to be returned to the plenary for a second reading later in the week. The election date bill passed its first reading last week and will have its second reading this week.

Some of the opposition parties want the passage of the election date bill pegged to the immunity for Knesset members legislation, as they want to protect opposition members during the campaign. The bill will be introduced this week, but at the most it will pass its first reading.

An item of unfinished business on the agenda is the close of the debate on Israel's notes to the Big Four on reparations from Germany and the reduction of the sentences of war criminals. The debate was to have been concluded last week, but the Foreign Minister was absent owing to indisposition. He is now scheduled to reply this week. Several parties have drafted resolutions on the subjects and they will seek to put them up for votes.

Dollar Linked Bonds

Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan is expected to press for final action before the recess on the dollar-linked savings bonds bill. He wants immediate passage because the government wants to float immediately the first issue of IL.10m. in the hope that it will be fully subscribed before May 11 when the $500m. bond issue will be floated in the U.S. No difficulty is expected here as all parties except the Communists support the measure.

Two bills which have caused sharp conflicts between Mapai and the Religious Bloc are also on the agenda for second readings. They are:

1) the amendment to the Security Service Law which provides for the conscription of religious women for national service; and

2) the Hours of Work and Rest Bill which fixes 47 hours as a work week and lays down provisions for Sabbath rest.

There may be an attempt to introduce an equal rights bill for women this week. When Mrs. Rahel Kagan introduced a bill several weeks ago, action on it was shelved when Justice Minister Pinhas Rosen said the Government was considering similar legislation.

Ex-Soldier's Evidence Given 'Under Threats'

TEL AVIV, Sunday—Uri Cadi, the ex-soldier accused of changing his testimony which told of the murder of five Arabs by Jewish soldiers, said in the Magistrate's Court here today that his original deposition was obtained by the Military Police through threats and persuasion. Cadi is charged with perjury.

The witness told the Court today that shortly before the alleged murder of the Arabs he had participated with his platoon in a patrol near Hartuv in which several of his comrades were killed or captured by Arab forces. A week later he was ordered to transfer two marauders, captured by members of Kibbutz Saris, to the Abu Ghosh police station. This, he said, he did. He knew nothing of the murder of the five Arabs, and told his military interrogators so. Cadi said today. They had threatened him with prison, however, and deliberately changed his words, he said.

In his summing up today Mr. Natan Kenet, the Prosecutor said that Cadi had changed his original testimony out of loyalty to his company commander and his squad who were charged with the murder. The charges against the seven were subsequently dropped and the squad was committed for trial.

Appearing today for the defence was Mr. Pinhas Rabinowitz. The Magistrate, Mr. B. Many, will give a ruling on Thursday.

Histadrut to Fight Black Market

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Minister of Agriculture, Mr. P. Lavon, attended part of the meeting of the Histadrut Executive today during a discussion on the anti-black market campaign. He reported on the Government's efforts to stamp out profiteering.

Mr. P. Rashish, member of the Executive and Vice-Mayor of Petah Tikva, was named Chairman of a special Histadrut anti-black market committee.

Personal Notices

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Food Factories Closed For Making Inferior Products

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Eight food factories, most of them making sweets, have been closed for varying periods of time by the Ministry of Agriculture, and six others have been warned that they may be shut down, the Minister, Mr. P. Lavon, told the press here today. They were closed or warned on Friday, because of the poor quality of their products. Reporters were later shown samples of the goods in which lumps of unmixed milk powder could clearly be seen, as well as other impurities.

"If we can't give everyone everything they want, we can at least ensure they get the best of what there is," Mr. Lavon said.

The quality inspection of goods produced by the food industry will be continued, and the suspension of offending plants will serve as the punishment, Mr. Lavon said, because of the time it would take to institute legal proceedings against factory owners.

Egg Distribution

The Minister revealed that a new system of egg distribution would come into force next Sunday. Each person — children and adults—will receive 20 eggs per month; they will be distributed weekly. In addition, between 60 and 70 grams of egg powder will be distributed per person. Hospitals and invalids will continue to receive extra egg rations. Mr. Lavon explained that at the moment about 300m. eggs are being produced locally each year, but under the old system they were being distributed unequally, and many were finding their way into the black market. A special consignment was being imported for Passover distribution.

Mr. A. Verlinsky, Manager of Tnuva, said that lengthy research had resulted in the recent marketing of specially enriched lebenia and full cream cheese, made of powdered full milk, powdered skimmed milk and butter. The production of these would be increased as the demand rose, Mr. Verlinsky said.

Ma'barot Difficulties

Mr. Lavon said that the Ministry had encountered difficulties in arranging food supplies to ma'barot. A new system had therefore been introduced, whereby Ministry employees have each volunteered to "take over" a ma'bara. They will visit "their" ma'bara once a week to investigate conditions and to make suggestions for improvements to a committee. Forty officials had volunteered so far to carry out this task without extra payment. It was hoped all ma'barot in the country could be covered in this way.

Since the Ministry had announced that customers could change the shops with which they are linked for rationed food supplies, 250,000 persons, or nearly a quarter of the population, had applied for transfers; 140,000 were in Tel Aviv alone.

This fact, Mr. Lavon thought, showed that there had been something wrong with the old system or with the shops. The Ministry was therefore starting a question campaign among all housewives who had asked for transfers, to ascertain their reasons.

In answer to a question Mr. Lavon said that the drought had done much to hinder the plans of the Ministry to hasten agricultural independence. Larger quantities of seeds would have to be imported next year, he thought.

Sardines Sighted, Snatched Same

HADERA, Sunday. — A record catch of 30 tons of sardines was made off the Arab village of Gharawina es Zarka on the coast between Benyamina and Zichron Ya'akov on Thursday night.

A villager fishing off-shore noticed a big school of fish and called on his fellow villagers to bring up more nets. When these proved insufficient members of two kibbutzim, Hatzofim and Hephziba, joined in with their equipment.

The catch was sold in the main towns through Tnuva.

Work to Begin Soon On Second Pipeline

Work on an additional water pipeline, which will double Jerusalem's present supply, will begin soon, it was announced yesterday.

This was decided at a meeting last week of Mr. Eliezer Kaplan, the Minister of Finance, and Mr. Mordecai Shattner, the Jerusalem Development Commissioner. The meeting was called to discuss the municipality's development problems.

The entire water supply project is expected to amount to about IL.8m. Most of the required equipment has already been ordered abroad, and the work is expected to be carried out in two years.

The construction of the pipeline, which will assure an adequate water supply to Jerusalem and the Corridor farming areas, will present one of the largest and most difficult development tasks ever undertaken by the Government. Hundreds of workers are to be employed on the project.

40 Per Cent Loss

The immediate purchase of additional water meters was recommended by the Jerusalem Municipality's Water Committee last night in an effort to reduce the city's loss of revenue.

A Committee report disclosed that although 270,000 cubic metres of water are consumed monthly in the capital, only 160,000 cubic metres are paid for, resulting in a 40 per cent loss of revenue.

The Municipality heard a recommendation that the low price of water to new buildings, industries and organizations be raised from 75 pruta to 120 pruta, which is the price that it costs the city.

The Committee also approved a plan to repair the Mamilla Road reservoir, which holds about 25,000 cubic metres. The cost of the project is estimated at IL.75,000.

The Municipality also received a Financial Committee report that called for the appropriation of IL.3,250 for Independence Day celebrations.

Council Meets

Sitting later as a Committee on Town Planning, the Municipal Council began to discuss the capital's boundaries. A subcommittee had recommended that the city be enlarged to include Deir Yassin, Givat Shaul, Bet Mazmil, Bet Safafa and to retain Ramat Rachel, despite the settlement's request to be excluded.

The group also suggested that "in due course" Jerusalem should incorporate Motza, Malha, Ein Karem and Kastel.

The coalition majority supported the recommendations while the opposition demanded that the four communities be included in the capital's area immediately.

The Economic and Housing Committee submitted a report which included a request by the Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce for four dunams of land in the Romema quarter on which to build a 2,000 square metre warehouse to store raw materials needed for local industry.

T.A. Council Works on Budget

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Municipal Council today discussed a number of items of next year's budget in an endeavour to complete the budget debate before the Passover recess. Mayor Rokach said that next week the Council would probably have to sit every afternoon.

Much of the afternoon was devoted to a debate on what Councillors called the inadequacy of fines inflicted by the Municipal courts on offenders against municipal laws. Speakers urged that maximum fines be raised from IL.20 to IL.100, accompanied by speedier court action. The Council then raised total revenue from Municipal courts from IL.25,000 to IL.30,000, but did not increase the maximum fines to IL.100.

Income from education fees has been set at IL.385,000. Mayor I. Rokach explained that families with less than IL.80 a month income did not have to pay education fees; between IL.80 and IL.70, IL.4 a year will be paid; between IL.70 and IL.80, IL. 8 a year; and from IL.80, IL.12 a year. Moreover, a second child's education will cost only 50 per cent, a third 25 per cent and from the fourth child, education was free.

Altogether, more than 10 items on the revenue side totalling just over IL.1.5m. were passed by the Council. They included also entertainment tax, beverage tax, traffic, building licences and the bus company's payment.

Concerning the last item, Mayor Rokach assured Councillors that hospital rates would not be raised, but he took the opportunity to attack the Government's plan to raise the rates of its hospital services from the present 400 pruta a day to IL.1.200 minimum and IL.2.500 maximum. This, he thought, was not fair, since those who could afford it did not go to the Government hospitals.

The taxes which the Dan bus company pays for the right to the road brought forth a lengthy debate. Councillors wanted the total raised from the present IL.94,000 a year (the opposition actually said only IL.18,000 last year), to IL.250,000, while in the budget IL.30,000 was stipulated. They all spoke of the inadequacy of the services of the "municipal utility" and demanded closer supervision. It was decided to await the report of a committee now investigating Dan's finances, and meanwhile to pass the budgeted IL.30,000.

Children Put On Show in T.A.

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—Children from all sectors of the country assembled in Tel Aviv today to celebrate Jewish Children's Day proclaimed by Youth Aliya to foster ties between the children of Israel and those abroad.

The highlight of the day was tonight's festive meeting at the Ohel Shem Hall, where the Meir Shefeya children's orchestra played and various other groups performed national dances and plays.

The hall was full to overflowing with people crowding the side doors. The ceremony, which was broadcast over Kol Israel, was opened with short speeches by Mr. B. Ben Yehuda, Director-General of the Ministry of Education; Mayor I. Rokach; Mr. Moshe Kol, head of Youth Aliya; Mrs. Bertha Schoolman, head of the Hadassah's Youth Aliya Section.

Song and Dance

Boys and girls of Meir Shefeya played several songs on their guitars, mandolins and banjos to the delight of the audience, and after the interval, groups of immigrant children from Nizanim, Hatzor and Magdiel danced. The evening was concluded with Meir Shefeya's theatrical group performing three pieces from Moliere's "L'Avare."

The same programme was presented in the afternoon for 1,500 children from Tel Aviv schools and Youth Aliya delegations from new immigrant centres. Mrs. Vera Weizmann was present at the afternoon show. Two small Indian children from Mayan Zvi presented the First Lady with a large bouquet of red roses.

Present at tonight's meeting were the U.S. Ambassador and Mrs. Davis; the British Minister and Lady Helm; the Australian Minister and Mrs. Fuhrman; and members of the French, Italian, The Netherlands, Argentine, Swiss and Hungarian Representations. The Chief of the General Staff was represented by Sgan-Aloof E. Ayalon.

School Registration Begins in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — School registration began in Tel Aviv today with 70 registration stations opening simultaneously to list kindergarten children and those who will enter the first grade this autumn.

The stations, each manned by two municipal clerks, will remain open until Passover Eve. While there were no queues today, people nevertheless reported for registration in good numbers, clerks said.

Fined IL.1,000 For Foreign Money Deal

TEL AVIV, Sunday (ITIM) — A fine of IL.1,000 was imposed by the Anti-Profiteering Court here today against Avraham Ashwilli, 50, of Jerusalem, who was found guilty of having paid money in Israel upon the order of persons abroad.

The accused had paid Mr. Israel Nahum, of Tel Aviv, IL.2,000 and Dr. Emanuel Gruber IL.200 in 1949. The Court did not sentence the accused to prison, due to his advanced age.

Boy Robber Cuts Man With Knife

A 14-year-old boy, who broke into a King George Ave. apartment in Jerusalem early Saturday morning, attacked the owner of the apartment with a knife before being subdued. The owner, Mr. Raphael Tor, was injured, but succeeded in holding him until police arrived.

SOLDIER REINTERRED

A soldier, Shulak Ya'akov, was reinterred in the Nahlat Yizhak military cemetery yesterday afternoon. The soldier had fallen in the battle for Malkieh, and his body had only recently been found by the Corps of Chaplains.

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LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — "A violent storm" in Parliament over a "new appeasement offer" to Egypt is forecast by the diplomatic correspondent of the "Sunday Dispatch" today.

The newspaper said the British plan was to withdraw British troops from the Suez Canal Zone to other Middle Eastern bases in Jordan, Cyprus and Cyrenaica.

"By this offer," the "Dispatch" correspondent said, "the Government hopes to arrest the anti-British policy of King Farouk and his Prime Minister, Nahas Pasha, and to stave off the threatened move in Egypt for the nationalization of the Suez Canal.

"The Government is maintaining an attitude of officially 'sealed lips' as it hopes to obtain Egyptian acceptance and present it to Parliament as a diplomatic success," the "Dispatch" claimed. "But when it comes up for debate, trouble will break from both sides of the House."

Mr. Churchill will demand that no new treaty be signed with Egypt until the House has heard its terms. Should the House reject these terms, the Government would have to resign, the paper argued.

Italian Minister Charges Communists

BRESCIA, Sunday (Reuter).— Home Minister Mario Scelba today accused the Italian Communist party of organizing the hundreds of secret arms dumps which police have unearthed in a country-wide comb-out in the last year.

Signor Scelba made his accusation against the Communists in the course of a detailed indictment of Communist methods of gaining power through the municipalities. He read a series of secret Communist directives to party members at present controlling some 3,000 of about 8,000 Italian municipalities.

These directives, which the Minister read in full, laid down that municipalities controlled by the Communists should:

Submit their budget to party H.Q. for approval, before passing them.

Employ personnel recommended by the party, using, for instance, only Communist doctors.

Buy paper and other stationery, sanitary materials, disinfectants, lamps and other material only from firms approved by the party, and engage the full authority of the Municipal Council in support of the Stockholm peace appeal.

OPIUM. — Marseilles Customs inspectors found more than 650 pounds of opium on Saturday in the French cargo ship "Champollion" which had recently returned from a voyage to the Middle East.

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BANNED. — The French Government yesterday declared illegal the Communist sponsored "Committee of the National Congress of the Partizans of Peace." Committee members include atomic-physicist Professor Joliot-Curie and painter Pablo Picasso.

FLAG. — Two U.S. soldiers have been arrested by American M.P.'s for tearing down the Soviet flag from a municipal building in Linz, Austria.

PROTEST. — A note of protest against nine cases of brutal violation of Albania's air space and territorial integrity by Yugoslav air and ground forces during March has been submitted by the Albanian Foreign Ministry to the Yugoslav Government.

"Iron Curtain" In N. Africa Claimed

CAIRO, Sunday, (UP). — The French cancellation of the Egyptian journalists' visas for entry into Morocco did not surprise him in the least, Azzam Pasha, Secretary-General of the Arab League, said here today.

"I know that French imperialism cannot live in an atmosphere of freedom," he said. "The Iron Curtain is not confined to Eastern Europe since another has been built by the French army in North Africa," he added.

Three Marauders Held

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — An Israel Beduin was slightly wounded and three marauders from Egypt were captured in a two-hour exchange of fire last night. The bandits broke into a camp and made off with some loot, but were followed by a group of local Beduin, who caught up with them. Some of the marauders are believed to have been injured in the shooting, but were taken across the border by their comrades.

4 KIDNEYS — NO SLEEP

PARIS, Sunday (Reuter). — A man learned yesterday the reason why he has suffered for years from insomnia — he has four kidneys. Henri Debrik, aged 49, of Dunkirk, had scoured the country for remedies for sleeplessness. Now he has learned that his four kidneys and two ureters have been causing him sleepless nights by putting a strain on his heart.

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OF all the evils growing out of the economic difficulties of mass immigration, perhaps the most demoralizing to date has been the growth of an ubiquitous black market.

BLACK MARKET PAYS

This demoralization is partly caused by the disrespect for law brought about by the existence of such large-scale illegality, and by the inequality of sacrifice between those with the means to buy on the black market and those without. Most important of all, however, is the sense of injustice that a few people should profit so greatly through criminal action, exploitation of want, and complete disregard for the national interest.

These feelings are reinforced by the study of such cases as that of a black-marketeer brought to trial for overcharging on a tyre by IL.86, who was sentenced to pay a fine of only IL.75, which left him with a net profit of IL.11 on the very transaction for which he was penalized. Even in less flagrant cases, black-marketeers repeatedly convicted can easily afford to finance, out of their illegal gains, the payment of fines which do not even begin to cover the sums spent to bring them to "justice." It is sheer waste that the endless trouble taken to catch these criminals should be so dissipated by the apparent reluctance of the magistrates.

This unwarranted leniency is apparently based upon the theory that since the black market is so wide-spread, it is unreasonably harsh to inflict deterrent punishments on the small minority so "unlucky" as to be caught. This attitude toward the black market is nothing less than a nullification of a twice affirmed decision of the Knesset setting the maximum penalty for black marketing at IL.5,000 and five years' imprisonment, raised last year to IL.10,000 fine and seven years in prison.

It must be evident to all concerned that unless the enormous profits of the black market are outweighed by the imposition of stringent penalties, this blot upon the national economy will continue to grow. Smuggling and infiltration for this purpose from Israel's "boycotting" neighbours will increase with the profits involved, and currency lose its value as black market prices soar. Meanwhile a few criminals will continue to grow fat on the deprivation of the many.

Davis Counsels Moderation

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formed Israel that he will take no action on the Government's declaration that it will not participate in the Israel-Syria M.A.C. meetings until he receives a written statement which also gives the reasons for the action. No M.A.C. meeting has been scheduled yet, the spokesman said. He also was sceptical of reports that Col. Bossavy was to be recalled permanently, since there were no grounds for such dismissal, he said.

A Syrian military spokesman has described the Israel action at El Hamma as "crazy," according to the NEARE. Syria is taking all the necessary precautions along the border, he is reported to have added. It is understood that Syrian army units are still in the demilitarized zone, NEARE said. Reports from the border this morning say that the area is quiet. This quiet is attributed to the effect on the Syrians of Thursday's Israel air force attack, the report declared.

At its weekly session in Cairo yesterday morning, the Egyptian cabinet, under the Premiership of Mohsa Pasha, discussed the recent hostilities and adopted a number of measures regarding matters [illegible]. Cairo Radio re-

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NEW REPUBLIC A "BAD DEBTOR"

Behind Germany's Bright Facade

By Christabel Burton

YOU buy your newspaper from a kiosk festooned with smoked sausages. In the new brilliantly lighted station restaurant, at seven in the morning, many of the middle-aged among your fellow-travellers are eating large quantities of cream cakes and washing them down with cream-topped cocoa.

Outside, you ask your way of a polite young policeman who, when you thank him, replies "You're welcome," with an American accent. Western Germany's immediate impression is certainly overpowering.

The hotel is a newly built, luxuriously decorated, overheated building with 300 rooms; next year, the management hopes, it will have 500. A room costs £5 a night and the simplest meal nothing less than £2. And the hotel is full and the restaurant is full, and outside the traffic is dense—new Mercedes, new Volkswagen, new bicycles. The shops, especially the food stores (and every third shop seems to be a food store), are crowded with well-dressed, apparently well-fed men and women, gravely deliberating over the most fantastic delicacies. Everyone seems bustling and happy and seemingly on the point of bursting into a stupendous Wagnerian chorus in praise of a liberalized economy.

Uneasy Background

Then you notice the legless young matchseller in the field-grey uniform. Or the sad-faced woman in the patched coat, holding daffodils and murmuring in cultured German: "Flowers . . . who wants spring flowers . . . for Easter?" You begin to get uneasy. These two, the soldier and the refugee, make you look round; they force you to notice for the first time that the shops are like a brightly painted back-cloth in the theatre and that above and beyond them are the same gaunt, jagged ruins of five years ago. You turn instinctively to the back streets, where the shops are tidy, clean — and almost empty. You come to a cleared bomb site where there are rows of miserable wooden huts surrounded by wire, where nondescript washing hangs on the line, and where women lean against the walls and stare at you, silently and without resentment, but in dull, weary apathy.

It is against this background of a luxurious superstructure imposed on factual ruin that West Germany must be considered. It is a land of frightening social contrasts. On the one hand there is the new tradesman-merchant-industrialist "aristocracy" (incidentally, the very people from whom National Socialism drew its vote); on the other there is the war-ruined, bomb-ruined, monetary-reform-ruined "proletariat." Their opinions range from self-satisfied optimism ("Oh, yes, we have some debts. So what? The Americans will pay,") to utter, nihilistic despair. But each and every one of them, with the exception of an ever-diminishing Communist minority, has a deep-seated terror of hunger, war and Russia.

Inward Terror

Each West German reacts to this inward terror in his own particular way. The new aristocracy makes careful plans for a getaway. (It would be interesting to discover just how far Germany's foreign exchange difficulties have been influenced by the illegal transference of capital overseas.) Some make their token payments to disguised Communist organizations, or even finance Communist newspapers with large advertisements in a naive attempt to prepare for the coming storm. The others—the have-nots— wait patiently, apathetically, with little to lose. They have survived so much already; maybe they will survive this too.

Within the last forty years Germany has lost two wars; her people have been ruined by two monetary reforms and have lived under two dictatorships, one Nazi and one Allied. All this helps you to understand why most Germans, and particularly the young, have no sense of responsibility towards the new Republic, nor to any political party programme. For the average German, if he thinks about such things at all, there are at most two political figureheads: Adenauer and Schumacher.

The first, head of the present Government, is seventy-five, reactionary, autocratic, a Catholic, profoundly suspicious of change. The other, leader of the Opposition, is a vivid personality, an ill and erratic demagogue. These two declaim and intrigue, part company and join hands in the little Rhineland town of Bonn. And behind them trails a long depressing line of worthy party nitwits, ambitious go-getters and downright mountebanks.

Daily Scandals

Hardly a day passes without its new public scandal splashed in headlines. Just now it concerns one Auerbach, president in Bavaria of the department which deals with compensation for persons persecuted by the Nazis. He is accused of making false claims in the names of more than a hundred non-existent D.P.s and trying to pocket some 250,000DM. His lawyer has already promised to implicate many prominent members of the Bavarian Land Government in the case. All this serves to confirm the German's fundamental distrust of what he has been told is democratic government.

So far as any public opinion exists in Western Germany, it is disturbed by political unrest, by annoyance at the obvious political stagnation and by nervousness about the possible Allied reaction to the liberalized economy, based on the policy of Professor Erhard, the Minister of Economic Affairs, which now seems to have got out of gear.

Will the new Republic be written off as a bad debtor? Erhard's policy as such is not attacked, except of course by Schumacher's Social Democrats, but there is a strong feeling that it should have been modified months ago. There is even some doubt that Erhard will modify it even now. In that case he will have to go. But who is there to take his place? Erhard has at least one attribute — abounding optimism. In the sterile atmosphere of Bonn, this does not come amiss.

Allied Cannon-Fodder

Schumacher, astute party politician as he is, fights on a simple issue, one which, in the confusion and perplexity of party politics, everyone can understand. "Do you want to rearm?" he asks. "The Allies have not yet shown us whether they wish to defend the Elbe or the Rhine. Do you want to be cannon-fodder for the Allies? In the last Land elections, the answer was "Nein, ohne mich" — "No, without me." This is, no doubt, a shortsighted answer, but, with many soldiers still P.O.W. and with respected German generals sorting needles in prison, still awaiting trial after six years of unconditional surrender, an understandable one.

Other Land elections are due. The price of bread has risen twice in the past few weeks. The Government has just raised the official price of grain in a belated effort to persuade the peasants to deliver their last reserves. In fact, the peasants are already getting more than the new official price in the black market.

It is possible that the price of bread will go up again, and other prices are rising too. It is obvious that in the coming elections, Schumacher's Social Democrats intend to take full advantage of "the unavoidable effects of the present trend of economic policy." For the electorate, Herr Erhard's optimism may not be enough.

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THE WEEK IN THE U.N.

15 Nations' Korean Casualties

UNITED Nations representatives of 12 Asiatic and Middle Eastern countries on Thursday began a series of informal meetings aimed at finding a formula for a new approach towards a peaceful settlement of the Korean conflict. The first meeting was held at the New York apartment of Sir Benegal N. Rau of India, Acting as Chairman for the Asiatic Arab group, which includes Afghanistan, Burma, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Syria and Yemen.

It was reported that the initiative for the new effort came principally from Egypt. There was no formal announcement of what form the new effort by the Asiatic Arab group would take and whether or not the group would submit a new proposal to the General Assembly, which is still in session.

From Korea itself, where U.N. forces have advanced at some points north of the 38th Parallel, came news that members of the U.N. Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea paid a flying visit to Seoul on Thursday. Commented Australia's James Plimsoll Uncurk, Chairman, "United Nations and Korean authorities have moved with great speed and efficiency in bringing food to Seoul."

In the recently liberated capital of the Republic of Korea, the Australian delegate added, "water and power cannot be obtained yet, great damage has been done to buildings and transport is limited; nevertheless, the United Nations civil assistance command is doing what it can as rapidly as it can to help the city's population meet the needs of the Korean people for food, medicines and shelter."

Three more U.N. Member States made contributions this week to U.N. Relief and Rehabilitation programmes in Korea. Canada presented to the U.N. Secretary-General a check for $7,250m. for Korean relief; the Republic of Liberia offered an additional contribution of $15,000 worth of raw rubber amounting to twenty metric tons, and Venezuela confirmed its contribution of $70,000 worth of warm quilts for the Korean programme.

An informal survey conducted by the U.N. Secretariat listed a total of 228,000 casualties suffered by U.N. forces in Korea. These included casualties of the armed forces of fifteen nations fighting under the U.N. colours. The republic of Korea suffered the heaviest losses: up to March 9, a total of 168,000 casualties including 16,000 killed; the United States ranked next with a total of 57,000 casualties as of March 23, with 8,000 killed.

Mr. Trygve Lie's Visit

Secretary-General Trygve Lie has left on Friday, April 6, for Paris where he will confer with French Government officials on arrangements for the General Assembly's sixth session scheduled to open in Paris not later than November 6.

Kashmir

Pakistan this week accepted in full the Security Council's new programme for breaking the deadlock between India and Pakistan over control of Kashmir. This line, which calls upon both sides to settle their differences by arbitration, was adopted by the Council by eight votes to none, with India and Yugoslavia abstaining.

Also This Week

The International Refugee Organization turned over control of the International Tracing Service to the Allied High Commission in Germany, marking the end of its active search for hundreds of thousands of allied nationals missing since the end of the war.

U.N. Secretary-General Trygve Lie appointed a four-member committee to consider and give approval to designs of United Nations postage stamps.

The Government of India, in a message to the United Nations Secretary-General, expressed "regret" at South Africa's refusal to attend a round-table council on the basis of the General Assembly resolution looking toward the settlement of the question of Indians in South Africa.

Readers' Letters

ALARM SIGNAL

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—The recent bus accident in which 23 persons were injured should be an alarm signal for our Minister of Communications.

It is time to heed the many complaints about the terrible position regarding the insufficient number of public vehicles, poor organization within the transport companies, and the refusal of members to share their unjustifiably high profits with additional drivers who wish to be admitted to their cooperatives.

So far drastic action has been taken only once, after a spectacular loss of life. The Minister who, when responsible for Rationing and Supply, was known for his ability to make a decision should act before he is urged to do so by a major disaster.

There should be: a) strict enforcement of a law prohibiting the driver to talk, handle tickets and money while driving; b) no more than ten standing passengers; c) timetables which, while allowing reasonable profits to the drivers, would respect the harassed public's interests (no overcrowding, minimum queuing). A major factor determining the Minister's decisions should be a calculation of how many — economically valuable — hours are squandered daily on waiting for buses under present conditions.

Yours, etc.,
M. RUBENSTEIN

Haifa, April 4.

COTTON AND SHEEP

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Israel has requested the U.S. Government for financial assistance to the extent of $150m., out of which $10m. is intended for the purchase of cotton, other fibres and textile materials. I believe that the purchase of textile fibres in foreign countries will only be a very temporary solution to the problem in Israel. This money should be used to make the country self-sufficient.

If cotton grows in Florida, California and Egypt, there is no reason why it should not grow in Israel, especially in the Sharon and along the coast south of Mikveh Israel.

The cotton plant, besides giving fibre, is used for the manufacture of Viscose rayon (made of cotton linters). The seeds are also used for seed oil and cattle food.

The local sheep (fat tail sheep) give a very coarse wool fibre which can only be used in the manufacture of carpets, rugs, etc. I believe that the merino sheep should be introduced because it produces a very fine fibre, suitable for high-grade worsteds and woollens.

The merino eats very little and thrives in semi-arid zones. The northern Negev (between Revivim and Negba) seems to be an idal region for them. Other sheep could be introduced to Galilee, a cross-bred variety like the New Zealand sheep. These produce a medium quality wool which is used for tweeds, serges and blankets.

Yours, etc.,
RICHARD ROSENGART
Member of the Textile Institute
Huddersfield, Yorkshire, England, March 30.

A PUBLIC SERVICE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — It is about time that the competent authorities decided to name the streets and number houses in the suburbs of Jerusalem. During the past year it has been pitiful to see people searching for relatives and friends, in these new areas. In many cases these searchers were elderly or even crippled.

If naming streets is such a long term process, surely simple maps could be produced and distributed to local police stations, hospitals, main food stores, etc. Maps showing main centres including fire stations, pharmacies, etc., would certainly help citizens orient themselves.

At the same time may I suggest to the local Bus Company to produce a simple map (coloured if possible) showing the main routes. If this is thought expensive, I am sure hundreds of citizens would be only too pleased to buy a copy.

Yours, etc.,
JACK BRASS

Jerusalem, April 5.

ISRAEL'S VENUS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—Referring to M.Y.'s "New Star" reported in the issue of April 5, the brilliant star seen in the west on April 1 by M.Y. is the Planet "Venus," planet of Love and by the way, the ruling Planet of Israel.

Venus is nearly as large as the earth and its average distance from the sun is about sixty-six million miles, while its speed enables it to make a complete journey around the sun in 224 days.

Venus is now an evening star and can be seen after sunset until mid-August. Then it is too close to the sun. It reappears as a morning star at the end of September for the rest of the year.

It is one of the most beautiful objects in the heavens and its silvery splendour outrivals all the other planets and stars.

Yours, etc.,
ISAAC S. STERN

Jerusalem, April 5.

BLEMISHED HIGHWAYS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—One of the few points, on which everyone agreed during the Mandatory Government, was its strictness in forbidding the erection of advertisement sign-boards along the highways.

I wonder, whether our Government allows the erection of these signs with the use of scarce materials for such purposes or whether people don't think it necessary to obey the law. In any case, an unusually ugly advertisement sign-board adorns the Acre crossroad near Haifa. I am afraid, that this is just the beginning, and that soon all our highways will be full of them.

Will the Government intervene? Or must the citizens take action? Perhaps it would be sufficient, if all people, who love our country's beauty, were to boycott every firm which blemishes it by advertisement sign-boards.

Yours, etc.,
K. EDELSTEIN

Tivon, April 4.

KEEPING POSTED

WHEN Mrs. Golda Myerson, Minister of Labour, had tea with Snr. Pablo Manguel, Argentine's Minister to Israel, at Lydda airport prior to her departure for the Argentine, she apparently forgot to pay her bill. A few minutes before take-off time, when both Ministers were already on the tarmac, a waiter hurriedly appeared and presented Mrs. Myerson with the bill. The atmosphere was a little strained for a moment but the situation was saved by the good-humoured Argentine diplomat, who started laughing heartily.

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GIMBELS, large New York Department store, who have been featuring imports from Israel for the past year, have gone all out in offering Passover gift food parcels to be sent to Israel. Using one of their large show windows at Broadway and 33rd Street, they have on display a handsome seder table with antique silverware on loan from the Jewish Museum of New York. It is certain that thousands of these Service for Israel packages will be sold, but many recipients have recently found that they must wait for anything up to Shevuot—the usual time lag being at least six weeks.

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AS we were passing Tel Aviv's Mograbi theatre in a "Sherut" taxi last week a member of the "Dan" bus cooperative jumped out of a slowly moving bus into our cab, bitterly complaining about the slowness of buses...

FURTHER along Rehov Allenby one can always see in front of the Great Synagogue a professional beggar, who apparently believes in preserving and improving his outstanding asset. One of our reporters recently saw him in a nearby barber-shop, having his hand manicured...

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WE are seriously considering withdrawing our payment of 580 pruta to A.A. Davidson who last week sent us a clipping from a U.S.

newspaper which showed photographs of Egypt's Camel Corps in action. After censuring the paper for referring to the Egyptian unit as the "Haganah" we now learn that the term for racing camels in Arabic is Ha-jana, with a long a after the j. In the Hebrew term for defence the last syllable is accented, in Arabic the long middle one. Englishmen in this area, we are told, liked to show their neutrality by pronouncing both "Ha'ganah."

Today's contributors include: E.N.D. and G.W. of Jerusalem, and T.W. Friedman and V.P. of Tel Aviv

EGYPT, while spending 400 million pounds on "defence" evidently finds it hard to help its ex-soldiers. The current issue of the Cairo weekly "Al Mussawar" features with illustrations the story of Said Abdul Ghafar, a Cairo driver who volunteered for the Mobile Brigade in the war against Israel and was seriously wounded in the fighting near Rafah. He was discharged a permanent invalid after spending eight months in a military hospital, and after two and a half years of petitions and appeals to Egypt's Defence Ministry he finally received a cheque of compensation for his services. The paper printed a photo of the cheque which was made out for LE.3,480.

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